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SUBJ: MEETING BETWEEN PERMREP AND M'BOW - UNESCO
DIRECTOR GENERAL

1. PERMDEL REPORTED IN SEPTTEL ASPECTS OF MEETING WITH
DG M'BOW RELATING TO JAN. 26 CONFERENCE ON DRAFT
DECLARATION ON RACISM.

2. PERMREP TOOK OCCASION OF VISIT WITH M'BOW TO PRE-
SENT HIM WITH A MEMORANDUM, IN FRENCH, OUTLINING THE
CURRENT US EMPLOYMENT SITUATION WITH UNESCO AND MAKING
REFERENCE TO SPECIFIC POSITIONS AT THE SENIOR LEVELS
WHERE US PERSONS HAVE BEEN PROPOSED. THESE
INCLUDED: (A) PERMANENT APPOINTMENT OF HAROLD
FOECKE TO POST OF DEPUTY ADG FOR EDUCATION (PROGRAMM-
ING). CG SAID HE INTENDS TO SUBMIT FOECKE'S NAME TO
99TH SESSION OF EXBD FOR CONSIDERATION OF PERMANENT
APPOINTMENT. (B) JAMES CHANDLER FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR COOPREX. (C) EDWARD WEGMAN FOR
DIRECTOR, UNESCO PRESS, PUB-001. (D) PROFESSOR
GERALD GUTENSWAGER FOR DIRECTOR, MAN IN HIS ENVI-
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ROLAND BLUM, PROGRAM SPECIALIST (P-4), PHILOSOPHY
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3. M'BOW RECEIVED THE LIST AND GAVE ASSURANCE THAT ALL US CANDIDATES WOULD BE FAIRLY CONSIDERED. HE SAID THAT BECAUSE OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS SOME SENIOR POST WOULD HAVE TO REMAIN VACANT. M'BOW ALSO PLEDGED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO UNFAIR TREATMENT OR CONSIDERATION OF AMERICAN CANDIDATES AS A RESULT OF US NON-PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTION.

4. PERMREP NOTED TO M'BOW THAT THERE SEEMED TO BE SOME UNDERCURRENT AT LOWER LEVELS AGAINST AMERICANS AS A RESULT OF NON-PAYMENT OF OUR CONTRIBUTION AND THAT WE WANTED TO BE SURE THAT NO AMERICA WAS IN ANY WAY DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. M'BOW SAID THAT ANY EVIDENCE WHATSOEVER OF UNFAIR TREATMENT OF AMERICANS SHOULD BE CALLED DIRECTLY TO HIS ATTENTION AND HE WOULD TAKE VIGOROUS ACTION AGAINST IT.

5. M'BOW ALSO ASKED ABOUT THE NEW LEADERSHIP IN THE BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WITH THE DEPARTURE OF AMBASSADOR BUFFUM. M'BOW ASKED THAT HIS HIGHEST REGARDS BE PAID TO AMBASSADOR BUFFUM AND TO DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY BLAKE. PERMREP TOLD M'BOW OF THE NEW TEAM IN THE DEPARTMENT AND M'BOW EXPRESSED A KEEN DESIRE TO MEET THE NEW ASSISTANT SECRETARY AT AN EARLY DATE.

6. M'BOW SAID THAT HE WILL BE IN NEW YORK FEB. 15 TO 18 ATTENDING MEETINGS ON RESTRUCTURING OF UN AND WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO MEET DEPARTMENT OF STATE REPRESENTATIVES, IF THIS CAN BE ARRANGED.

7. M'BOW EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT THERE HAD NOT BEEN A MORE POSITIVE REACTION IN THE US FROM THE AFFIRMATIVE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE SEPTEMBER EXBD REGARDING ISRAEL AND THE EUROPEAN REGION. HE SAID HE HAD HOPED
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FOR SOME SIGN THAT THE US WOULD LOOK MORE POSITIVELY TOWARD UNESCO. PERMREP ASSURED M'BOW THAT THERE HAD BEEN A FAVORABLE REACTION AFTER THE SEPTEMBER VOTE, BUT THAT UNDER OUR SYSTEM ONE COULD NOT EXPECT RAPID RESULTS AND, IN ANY CASE, MUCH OF THE GOOD WILL HAD BEEN DISSIPATED BY THE DECEMBER MEETING ON MASS COMMUNICATIONS.

8. M'BOW EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO MEET AGAIN WITH PERM-

REP UPON HIS RETURN FROM WASHINGTON (PERFORMANCE STANDARD
BOARDS).
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